

**25934—Continued.**

"It seems to me that this or other of the South African melons should be more worth cultivating in arid parts of the West than the thornless prickly pear. Of course the melons want water, but much of what they get they store away for months." (*Lounsbury.*)

"One of our experimenters of the *Monketaan* melon has just reported that the return per acre of melons amounted to 103 tons, and it was found that on an average there were two melons to every square yard of land. This melon, according to the analysis we have already had made, is high in feeding value and promises to take a leading part in some of our stock districts." (*Extract from letter of Mr. R. W. Thornton, government agriculturist, Cape Town Department of Agriculture, August 24, 1909.*)

**25935. VICIA VILLOSA Roth.****Hairy vetch.**

From Moscow, Russia. Purchased from Immer & Son, through Prof. N. E. Hansen, Agricultural Experiment Station, Brookings, S. Dak., while traveling as an agricultural explorer for this Department. Received September 7, 1909.

**25936. ROSA sp.****Rose.**

From Ogden, Utah. Presented by Miss Pearle Cramer, United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. Received September 7, 1909.

Yellow. "This rose, so far as I have been able to ascertain, is native only to Utah where it grows in great profusion." (*Cramer.*)

**25937. ORYZA SATIVA L.****Rice.**

From Tsangsheng, Kwangtung Province, near Canton, China. Presented by Mr. Stuart J. Fuller, American vice consul-general-in-charge, Hongkong, for whom it was procured by Mr. Leo Bergholz, American consul-general at Canton. Received September 9, 1909.

"*Szemiü*, the translation of which means 'Best quality refined.' The Chinese rice merchant states that the exportation of this rice in any quantity or in samples is forbidden by the Chinese Government." (*Amos P. Wilder, American consul-general, Hongkong, China.*)

**25938 to 25940. MANGIFERA INDICA L.****Mango.**

From Philippine Islands. Procured by Mr. William S. Lyon, Gardens of Nagtajan, Manila, P. I. Received September 8, 1909.

Seeds of the following standard varieties:

**25938. Carabao.**

See S. P. I. Nos. 24927 and 25659 for previous introductions.

**25939. Pico.**

See S. P. I. No. 24170 for previous introduction.

**25940. Pahutan.** "From my viewpoint this is the best, *not* horticulturally, other than being a vigorous grower, early fruiter, and enormously prolific. Its very serious defects—small size, scanty flesh, and excessively large seed—are from my point of view fully offset by a smoothness, sweetness, juiciness, and flavor unapproached by any other. I have eaten the famous *Alphonso* mango in Calcutta and do not consider it ace high with *pahutan*. *Pahutan* further has a very thick rind. This, while still further diminishing its scanty flesh, probably adds to its shipping qualities." (*Lyon.*)